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Timely Tidbits ...

St. Stephen Festival

The 50th annual St. Stephen Festival, to be held at the Church (18858 Huron River Drive, New Boston) during the weekend of August 14-16, will feature gambling, BINGO!, kids' games, crafts, dancing, food ("Polish kitchen," burgers, pizza, Friday fish dinner, Saturday spaghetti dinner, and Sunday chicken dinner), beer, raffles, prizes, and more. The public is welcome.

Adult/Community Ed Offers Fall Classes

Area residents looking to further their education can take advantage of a number of programs being offered this fall by Romulus/Van Buren Adult and Community Education. Choose from GED or high-school completion classes, vocational training programs, and computer classes for various experience levels. Hobby and enrichment classes are also open to all ages. For more information, call Robin at 941-0610.

Bennett Announces District Office Hours

State Senator Loren Bennett will be holding District Office Hours at Romulus City Hall (11111 South Wayne Road) from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Monday, August 24. Area residents are encouraged to stop by to discuss questions or concerns relating to State legislative issues, or just to say "hello." No appointment is necessary; everyone will be welcomed on a first-come, first-served basis.

As always, anyone unable to meet with the Senator during this time is welcome to contact him at his office in order to discuss concerns or arrange a private meeting.

To contact Bennett, you can call him at 800-704-6299; FAX him at 517-373-9228; write him at P.O. Box 30036, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7536; e-mail him at senlbennett@senate.state.mi.us; or use the internet to visit the Eighth Senate District Home Page at <http://www.gop.senate.state.mi.us/senator/bennett>. □

Library's Reading Program Was Dinomite!

The Romulus Public Library's 1998 Summer Reading Program – "Reading is Dinomite!" – was a total success. Almost 200 children from Romulus, Huron, and surrounding areas took part in the program, reading for a total of 70,633 minutes (1,177 hours, or approximately 49 days) this summer.

Many of the participants and their parents also attended weekly special presentations at the Library. Attendance this year was at an all-time high, averaging 160 at each performance. At the last program, the children enjoyed refreshments, awards, and prizes, and "Little Caesar Man" was on hand to pull the names of prize winners and award each child with a certificate for Crazy Bread. The "Guess the Number of Dinosaur Bones in the Jar" contest was won by two young ladies: Shellaine Private of Romulus and Nina Gucciardo from New Boston. Both guessed the correct number of 167.

The weekly entertainment was generously sponsored by the Friends of the Romulus Public Library. McDonald's of Romulus, located on Wayne Road, donated certificates and refreshments for the last-day party.



Among those who entertained the many young people who participated in the Romulus Public Library's "Reading is Dinomite!" program was "Mr. Jim, the Magician."

"A good time was had by all," said Librarian Shelley DeLano, "and we thank both our participants and our area sponsors who were so generous. We are looking forward to next year's program, but, in the meantime, keep reading and

visiting us at the Romulus Library throughout the year."

A quick note, in closing, to summer readers who have not yet picked up their certificate and bag of goodies at the Library: It's never too late. . . . □

Police Programs Get Community Involved

National Night Out

"The Romulus Police Department's first formal venture into participating in the annual National Night Out campaign was a big success," stated the campaign's coordinator, Officer Joe Richardson of the Romulus Police Department's Community Oriented Policing Unit. "Fun was had by all, and plans are already underway to make next year's event even better."

The National Night Out program is designed to encourage partnerships between communities and law-enforcement agencies. For one night, the two groups promote public awareness concerning the importance of working together, and encourage this concept to continue throughout the remainder of the year.

Romulus groups participating in this year's campaign, held August 4, were the Romulus Tower senior-citizen apartments, the Romulus Senior Center, the Southeast Neighborhood Watch, the Jones Sub Neighborhood Watch, and Metro Mobile Home Park. Programs

included police-related exhibits, visits from elected officials, neighborhood walks, live entertainment, games, and food for all.

According to Richardson, over 300 people participated in the various events.

The local National Night Out effort kicked off at the Romulus Tower, which hosted a luncheon for residents and their guests beginning at 1 p.m. The Romulus Police Department played a large part in the Tower program, organizing exhibits about crime prevention, SWAT and K-9 programs, and the City's bicycle patrol. Visits from State Senator Loren Bennett, State Representative Raymond Basham, Romulus Mayor William Oakley, and Romulus Police Chief Charles Kirby, as well as from Ronald McDonald, were other highlights of the afternoon.

Activities at the Romulus Senior Center began at 3:30 p.m. Well over 150 guests enjoyed the carnival-like festivities, which included a dunk tank (with public figures such as 34th District Court Judge Tina Brooks Green, Romu-

lus Fire Chief Dave Allison, Romulus Department of Public Works Director Dave Paul, Romulus Recreation Department Director/Romulus Board of Education member Debbie Dick, and Officer Richardson getting dunked for a good cause), games of chance, dancing, karaoke, hayrides, law-enforcement displays, and a turkey dinner. A "bed-time story" at 12:30 a.m. wrapped up the eventful evening.

Romulus Police Officer Anthony Norman reported that approximately 30 residents took part in a chicken dinner hosted by the management of Metro Mobile Home Park. Other events at the mobile home park included a neighborhood walk and a products giveaway.

Members of the Southeast Neighborhood Watch Group also participated in a neighborhood walk, then joined in the activities at the Romulus Senior Center.

Portions of the City's National Night Out events were recorded for future play on the local cable channel by

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Romulus Cable Coordinator Oliver Warren and his staff. A copy of the tape will be submitted to the National Night Out Awards Committee, a group that reviews events from all over the United States and Canada, and then presents awards to deserving communities for their efforts.

"This program couldn't have happened without all the volunteers," said Richardson, "and I want to thank everyone who participated. They will be counted on again next year."

"I'm also hoping that my invitation to President Clinton can be resubmitted next year, and that he'll have time to stop by," he concluded.

Drug-awareness Message Combined with Visit to Lions' Training Camp

Members of the Romulus Police Department's Community Oriented Police Unit escorted over 65 children from two Romulus neighborhoods to the Detroit Lions training camp on Wednesday, August 5. The program – designed to educate children about the dangers of drugs and violence – was coordinated by Officer Mike Jones, and funded, in part, through a grant with Eastern Michigan University and donations from local businesses. It's similar to one run by the Detroit Police Athletic League, which presents educational information to the kids and reinforces that message by giving them the opportunity to view positive role models.

Jones contacted the Detroit Lions and arranged to bring a group of young people up to the Lions training camp at Saginaw Valley State University. The Lions arranged for the kids to be able to view a practice session, meet some of the players, and receive a packet of player photos and information. He then made arrangements with the staffs at the Romulus Housing Commission and the Oakbrook Villa Townhouses (sites of two ongoing Community Policing projects in Romulus) to make this program available to their residents' children. The initial response was exceptional: over 65 kids, along with nine members of the COP unit plus two Police Explorers, enjoyed the day.

Indian Trails Coach Service of Romulus donated two 47-seat buses with drivers to transport the kids. They were picked up at the offices at 7 a.m. and given a drug-awareness presentation on the ride up. Once at the site, they were able to view the practice session, then enjoyed a box lunch (courtesy of the Romulus IGA) and fruit pies (thanks to Tastee Bakery of Romulus) at the Lions' picnic area. The program's anti-drug message was reinforced during the youngsters' ride home.

"The program was very well received by the children," said Jones. "The entire COP unit, Sergeant Kreg Booker, and Officers Joe Richardson,

John Smagner, Terri Smagner, D.H. Smith, Rich Balzer, Anthony Norman, and Rose Cooper have already made suggestions on how to improve the program for next year.

"It took the efforts of a lot of people to bring this program off successfully," he added. "We hope that this can become an annual event."

Police Gear Up for End-of-summer Traffic Details

The Romulus Police Department is gearing up for the conclusion of its participation in two 1998 Traffic Grants from the Office of Highway Safety and Planning. These grants – "Drive Michigan Safely: Campaign Safe & Sober" and "Western Wayne Freeway Detail" – supported ongoing programs which have resulted in an additional 168 hours of traffic patrols in Romulus, along with continued participation in community education programs for motorists.

"Our enforcement actions are finding a greater level of compliance in the motoring public," observed Executive Lieutenant Eric D. Painter of the Romulus Police Department. "For example, on Friday, July 31, we ran an 18-hour detail on freeway patrol for OUIL enforcement. We put out 285 miles of patrol effort and located only a single drunk driver. We feel that this is a reflection of a greater sense of responsibility by many motorists, and hope that the trend can continue."

The department has two additional details planned for the month of August.

Painter also reported that the Department is gearing up for the final wave of this year's Safe & Sober Campaign. This was recently kicked off with a public-service campaign, "Get Maimed," which targeted young male motorists. The campaign attempts to play to the attitudes of young males who, statistically, tend to drive faster and forget to wear their safety belts. It presents graphic images and messages that are designed to be funny yet shock the viewer into getting the bottom-line message: "Wear your safety belts."

Concerns that the messages will offend the older audience were considered, but it was decided that the risk must be taken to successfully influence a younger audience, Painter stated.

"It would be our department's hope that this type of messaging works with the younger male, and that subsequent enforcement activities will not be as successful," said Painter. "However, in the event that this doesn't take place, we are planning one last enforcement wave. Between August 30 and September 19, our department will put out as many hours of extra patrols as our remaining funds will allow. During these approximately 32 extra hours, we will take enforcement actions against motorists who fail to buckle up, with special emphasis on the young males." □

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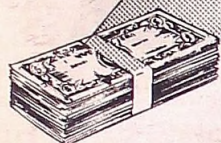
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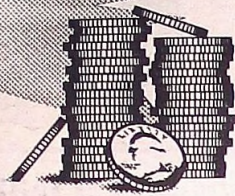
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If your vacation will be less than 30 days in length, it will probably make sense to have the post office hold your mail until your return. Plan early. It's a good idea to submit your vacation hold at least one week in advance. The Postal Service's vacation hold form is the same as that used to forward mail. Just stop by your local post office or ask your letter carrier for a vacation-hold form. Be sure to fill in all appropriate boxes, including the start and ending dates. Print in easy-to-read block letters.

All of your mail will be held until your return, and delivery will resume on the day indicated. If you normally get a lot of mail, you might want to stop by the post office on your return to pick your mail up, as it may be too much to fit in your mailbox in one delivery.



If you plan an extended vacation, or your destination would allow for mail delivery, you might consider a temporary forward. Temporary forwards cannot exceed 12 months. Many retired people who spend their winters in the south use this method to stay in touch through their mail.

When you submit a temporary forward, again submit it early and make sure that the information is legible. Allow about five working days for the Postal Service to add this forward to its computerized forwarding system, and make sure that you indicate whether or not you will guarantee postage due. First-Class, Priority Mail, and Express Mail are forwarded free; however, second-class mail is forwarded free only for 60 days. Third- and fourth-class mail requires additional postage. Endorsements on individual pieces of mail may make that piece of mail nonforwardable, such as "Address Correction Requested" mail, or third- or fourth-class mail marked "Do Not Forward, Do Not Return," by mailer.

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"Once you get started on the 'smoothie' kick, it will be a hard one to break once wintertime arrives," says Florine Mark of Weight Watchers. "The variations are endless. Experiment with your favorite fruits and juices, inventing your own 'smoothie' flavors. If you like strawberries, all you have to do is add a handful to your concoction. If you're a mango fan, well, chop one up and throw that into the blender, too.

"Let your taste buds be your guide."

To get you started on becoming a first-rate "smoothie-ologist," Weight Watchers offers these tips and recipes. All can be found in *Weight Watchers Magazine's 1-2-3 SUCCESS WEIGHT LOSS WRAP UP* cookbook.

Peanut Butter-Banana Smoothie

(makes 2 servings)

2 cups ice cubes

1 banana, sliced

1/2 cup low-fat (1%) milk

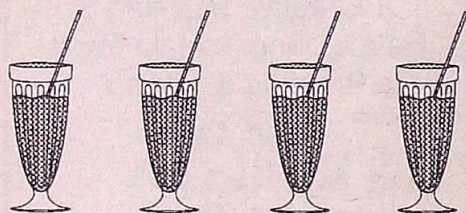
1 tablespoon smooth peanut butter

1 squirt chocolate syrup

In a blender, combine all ingredients; puree until smooth. Pour into tall, chilled glasses.

Per serving: 135 Calories; 5 g Total Fat; 1 g Saturated Fat; 2 mg Cholesterol; 72 mg Sodium; 20 g Total Carbohydrate; 2 g Dietary Fiber; 5 g Protein; 82 mg Calcium.

POINTS per serving: 3.



Cappuccino Cooler

(makes 1 serving)

1/2 cup low-fat (1%) milk

1/2 cup sugar-free vanilla nonfat frozen yogurt

1/4 cup brewed espresso, cooled to room temperature

3 ice cubes

1/2 teaspoon superfine sugar

1/4 teaspoon cinnamon

In a blender, combine all the ingredients; puree until smooth. Pour into a tall, chilled glass. Sprinkle with additional cinnamon, if you like.

Per serving: 157 Calories; 1 g Total Fat; 1 g Saturated Fat; 5 mg Cholesterol; 116 mg Sodium; 31 g Total Carbohydrate; 0 g Dietary Fiber; 8 g Protein; 286 mg Calcium.

POINTS per serving: 3.

- To lessen the work load on your blender's blades and motor, add the liquid ingredients to your blender first.
- Allow ice and frozen fruit to thaw slightly before blending in order to spare your blender's blades and your ears.
- Use superfine sugar – it dissolves instantly, leaving no residue at the bottom of the blender. (If you don't have any superfine sugar on hand, dissolve granulated sugar in the liquid before adding.)
- Choose ripe fruit, since immature fruit will be difficult to blend and won't impart all the sweetness of fully ripened fruit.
- Fortify your quaff. To make an energy-boosting "smoothie," try add-ins like ginseng, protein powder, wheat germ, or a bit of peanut butter.
- Use a great glass. Serve your "smoothies" in something more exotic than your basic tumbler.



Blueberry-Peach Creamy

(makes 1 serving)

1 cup fresh, or frozen, blueberries

1 peach, peeled and sliced, or

1 cup frozen sliced peaches

1 (one) 8-ounce container aspartame-sweetened peach nonfat yogurt

1/3 cup low-fat (1%) milk

1 tablespoon wheat germ

In a blender, combine all ingredients; puree until smooth. Pour into a tall, chilled glass.

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News from Halecreek



Newly elected officers of the Halecreek PTG are (from left) Peter Brink, Treasurer; Becky Brink, Secretary; Chris White, President; and Barbara LaBean, Vice-president.

Elementary's Newly Elected PTG Officers Are Looking Ahead

Chris White, President of Halecreek Elementary School's PTG, reports that the group is in the process of planning exciting events for children, parents, and staff. The Halecreek community can look forward to activities such as "Welcoming New Families," "Halloween Night," and a Christmas program.

Putting these events together will take a lot of "people power."

"One of my priorities is to get parents involved in PTG activities and volunteer projects," said White. "I hope to work closely with Donna Zajac, Parent Coordinator at Halecreek, to achieve this goal."

The PTG Board realizes that parent involvement makes school a better place for the children, their families, and the teachers, White explained. She invites and encourages all parents to participate in school activities in any way that they can.

Halecreek's first PTG meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 14, in the school's media center.

Halecreek To Host Open House for Kindergarten Students and Parents

Halecreek's kindergarten students (and their parents) are invited to explore their classroom and meet their teachers, principal, PTG president, school nurse, social worker, and other support staff at the Halecreek Kindergarten Open House, set for Tuesday, September 8, at 1:30 p.m. This opportunity for new students to visit their new school before classes officially begin often helps to ease the fears and anxieties that they sometimes feel as they begin their elementary years.

The Open House also affords parents a glimpse of how they can play an active role in their child's educational journey. Research has shown that, the more parents are positively involved in parent groups, the school environment, and home follow-up activities, the better the schools become.

All Romulus parents are being asked to commit to supporting their children and schools through the Compact for Student Achievement, which was developed by members of the community, Board of Education members, and Romulus Schools staff who are serving on the Romulus School-Community Committee.

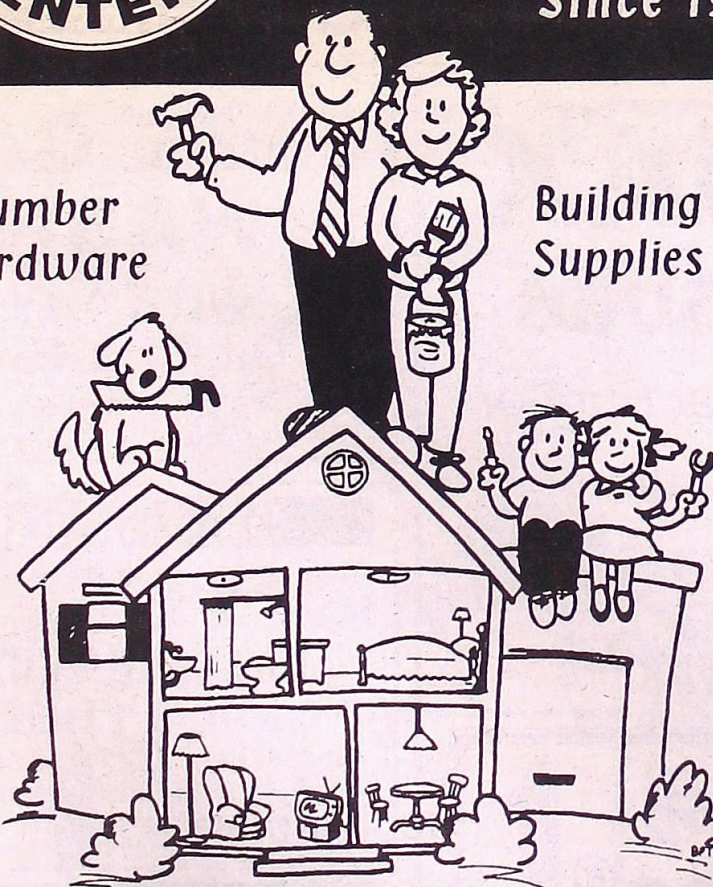
At Halecreek, parents are needed, wanted, and expected to be involved in the educational development of their children. Kindergarten parents will have an opportunity to begin this involvement as their children enter school. □



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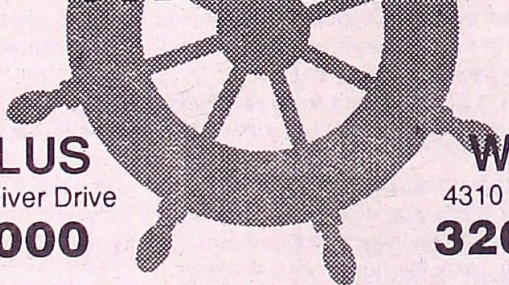
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SANDWICH**Recreation Programs**

Thanks to Debbie Dick, Director, City of Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation, and Keith Brothers, Recreation Coordinator, for supplying information for the "Recreation Programs" column. For more information about these or other offerings, stop in at the Recreation Department Office, 36515 Bibbins, or call 942-6852.

Unless otherwise noted, registration for the following programs should be made at the Romulus Recreation Department during its regular hours.

- First – Charlie's Softball Club (Manager: Chuck Syer)
 - Second – Real Pizza (Manager: Steve Wegerbauer)
 - Third – CBM (Manager: Ken Blossom)
 - Fourth – Richmond Steel (Manager: Jerry Umin)
 - Fifth (tie) – Double Bar Lounge (Manager: Jim Schlener) and Draw Tite (Manager: Alden Lietz).
- Charlie's Softball Club swept through the tournament with an unbeaten 4-0 record.

Fitness Meet Winners

On Thursday, July 23, the Romulus Recreation Department took 24 seven- to 14-year-olds to Kensington Metro Park to participate in the Detroit Metropolitan Area Youth Fitness meet. There, they got to compete in a variety of events against more than 1,000 boys and girls from 34 communities, including four districts from the City of Detroit.

This year, the Romulus team came away with eight second-place finishers. They were: Javonte Belcher, Alonzo Dixon, Eryn Runderza, and Kanaya Williams (Class "D" Shuttle Relay), and LaToya Hamilton, Antoinette Nelson, Tony Penn, and Jason Watson (Class "A" Shuttle Relay).

Congratulations to all eight, as well as the other 16 participants who so ably represented their community.

Charlie's Is Champ

The Romulus Recreation Department and ISA Softball have crowned Charlie's Softball Club as their first annual Tournament of Champions Slo-pitch Softball Champion. The competition was held August 8 at Elmer Johnson Park, where six teams – those who placed first or second in the Monday/Wednesday League, Friday League, and Sunday League – participated in a two-game elimination tournament. The final results were:

Fall Softball

Now through August 21 (space permitting), the Romulus Recreation Department will be accepting registrations for its fall softball league for men. Teams may choose to compete in the eight-team Friday Night League, which will begin play August 28, or the Sunday Afternoon League, which will begin play August 30. Each league will feature a doubleheader format, and each will guarantee at least 10 games played.

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Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Audry Moomaw, Manager of the Romulus Tower, and Linda Norman, Senior Citizens Program Coordinator for the City of Romulus, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column.

(Note: For more information about events at the Romulus Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins, call 942-6852.)

Senior Olympians

Congratulations to the following men and women for earning a medal in the annual Senior Olympics, held earlier this month:

- Shirley Callahan (gold – horseshoes; gold – women's swimming),
- Paul Dorman (gold – bocce ball; silver – frisbee toss; bronze – darts),
- Sylvia Dubisky (silver – softball throw; bronze – basketball shoot),
- Ferdinand Giese (bronze – bowling),
- Merle Kelly (silver – golf),
- Mary Lacy (bronze – golf), and
- Bobby Underwood (silver – bread-baking).

In all, 13 local seniors participated in the event.

"Yard Sale" at the Center

The annual "yard sale" at the Romulus Senior Center will be held August 14–15 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Be sure to stop by and check out the bargains!

Senior Day at the State Fair

The Romulus Senior Center is planning a trip to the Michigan State Fair on "Senior Day" – Monday, August 31. Cost of transportation is \$3; admission is free to everyone over 65 years of age. Sign up at the Center.

Special Trips

Seniors interested in more information about these or other special trips that have been planned by the Romulus Senior Center should call Linda Norman at 942-6852.

Please note: Deposits reserve your seat for any bus trip. Complete payment is due at least two weeks prior to departure for day trips; for overnight trips, payment is due at least 30 days prior to departure. Checks may be made payable to the City of Romulus or the tour company.

- **Kewadin Casino**
(Thu.–Fri., Sep. 10–11; \$91)
- **Soaring Eagle Casino**
(Wed., Sep. 30; \$20)
- **Appalachian Adventure**
(Tue.–Fri., Oct. 6–9; \$403)
- **Best of Branson**
(Mon.–Fri., Nov. 16–20; \$645)
- **Oglebay Festival of Lights**
(Wed.–Fri., Dec. 2–4; \$288)

Shopping Trips

For a transportation cost of \$1.50, Romulus seniors can ride the Center's van on Friday, August 21, for shopping at the Belleville Meijer store. Space is limited; payment of the transportation fee reserves your seat on a first-come, first-served basis. No refunds will be made unless there is a waiting list. Sign up at the Center.

Ask the Attorney

Local attorney Brian A. Oakley's monthly "Ask the Attorney" program – a free consultation service for Romulus senior citizens – has been set for Thursday, August 20, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Romulus Senior Center. Both walk-ins (36515 Bibbins) and call-ins (942-6852) are welcome.

Water Aerobics

The Romulus Senior Center is still looking for people who would like to participate in Monday-Wednesday-Friday Water Aerobics program now underway. Transportation from the Center (if there are three or more participants) departs promptly at 3:30 p.m. For more information, contact the Center.

Exercise/Toning

The Romulus Senior Center is offering a free, twice-weekly toning/stretching/exercise class on Tuesdays and Fridays at 9:20 a.m. Refreshments will be served. The Center recommends that all participants wear comfortable clothing, and urges anyone unused to physical exertion to consult a physician before beginning.

Free Blood-pressure Readings

GranCare Home Health invites local seniors to stop in at the Romulus Senior Center at 1 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month for a free blood-pressure check and a chance to ask the nurse questions regarding medications, preventive health alternatives, disease processes, etc.

Cheryl's Offers Specials

Every Wednesday during the month of September, Cheryl's Beauté Parlour in Romulus will be offering local seniors (age 60 and over) a special price on perms. A cost of \$35 covers everything – wash, cut, perm, comb-out, and tax. For more information about the salon, see the advertisement on page 7.

Chore Services for Seniors

The Wayne Metropolitan Community Services Agency is now offering a chore service for senior citizens. Since the program is funded, in part, by the Senior Alliance, a donation is requested for services received. For information, call 313-843-2550 or 734-942-6852. □

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REGULAR MEETING, JULY 27, 1998

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, July 27, 1998 was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Howard J. Kesner.

Roll call showed all members present. All administrators were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Kesner.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, requested that we amend the agenda to include the following items: "Bond Issue Waivers" and "Resolution to Approve a Preliminary Bond Application" under Report of the Superintendent.

7/98/26 Moved by Lenossi supported by Woods to approve the agenda as amended. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

7/98/27 Moved by Dick supported by Berlinn to approve the Minutes of the June 22; June 24; June 29; and July 13 (Statutory and Regular), 1998 meetings as presented. Mrs. Dick indicated that she wanted to discuss a special meeting schedule. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Personnel Actions

None.

Bills for Payment

None.

Discussion of Committee Assignments

The Board discussed the various committee assignments. They were requested to give the Board President a list of their preferences.

MEAP Report

Tom Dolan shared a study of our performances on the MEAP tests for last year and responded to questions posed by members of the Board.

7/98/28 Moved by Lenossi supported by Webb that the Board send a letter of "thanks" to Peg Ross for the MEAP article. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Review of Joint School/City Meeting

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, discussed the proposal for the joint venture between the City and the School District. A meeting with the City has been scheduled for Thursday, August 6, 1998.

Resolution to Approve a Preliminary Bond Application

7/98/29 Moved by Lenossi supported by Woods that the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the attached resolution to apply to the Michigan Department of Treasury for a bond issue of \$34,150,000. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bond Issue Waivers

7/98/30 Moved by Woods supported by Lenossi that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the attorney and authorize the Secretary of the Board of Education to sign the attached resolution. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Communications and Expressions from the Public

Members of the audience voiced their concerns as they pertain to the operation of the School District.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, shared the following items of interest with members of the Board of Education: 1) Cawthorne, etc., Lobby Report; 2) RESA 1997–98 Summary; and 3) Utility Bill Summary – 4 years.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Mrs. Webb questioned the use of detention rooms, especially for minor infractions.

Mrs. Dick complimented the Academic Academy at Barth School. She asked about meetings on pupil accounting procedures, and Dr. Bedell said that we were going to arrange a study session on the topic.

Mrs. Lenossi asked if the elementary schools were hooked up to the Internet.

Mr. Berlinn asked the new Board members if they received mailings from MASB. He also stated that he will bring some recommendations for candidates for the State Board of Education.

Mr. Lambert stated that his son went through a five-week reading program that was outstanding.

Executive Session

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

7/98/31 Moved by Dick supported by Lambert that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael D. Woods, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

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LEAPFROG

Write the word(s) that fits definition #1 into the correspondingly numbered box. Next, drop one letter and anagram (rearrange) the remaining letters to find the answer to definition #2. Perform the same drop-a-letter/anagram procedure on word #2 to arrive at the answer to definition #3. Place the first dropped letter in the space to the left of answer #1 and the second in the space to the right of answer #3. Repeat this process on each line of the puzzle. If the puzzle is done correctly, the dropped letters, read from top to bottom, will spell out the names of a famous Hollywood couple.

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DEFINITIONS

- Culture Club's "_____ Chameleon"
- C&W singer Chesnutt
- Nelson Algren's *The Man with the Golden _____*
- Star of *In and Out*
- One of many brand names endorsed by Michael Jordan
- _____ Kesey, author of clue #21
- Major Nelson, to Jeannie
- '60s TV series: *Get _____*
- "Extras" for *Willard*?
- Network alternative
- Fox offering: *Ally Mc _____*
- Caroline in the City* star Thompson
- They sang "Walk Like An Egyptian"
- Cage/Ryan tear-jerker: *City of _____*
- Campbell and Frey
- "Could it be _____?" asked SNL's "Church Lady"
- Baseball's Musial or comedy's Laurel
- "Unforgettable" Cole
- Type of movie for Pickford or Valentino
- American author who dubbed Hemingway, Fitzgerald, et. al., the "Lost Generation"
- 1975 Oscar winner: *One Flew over the Cuckoo's _____*
- One of the Baldwin brothers
- Sigourney Weaver SF classic
- Stage and film director Kazan
- Sitcom which starred Crystal Bernard
- Early Demi Moore effort: *The Seventh _____*
- Subject pertinent to clue #26
- Grant/Lane classic: _____ and *Old Lace*
- Raspy-voiced singer who recorded "Bette Davis Eyes"
- Patrick and Leigh in *Rush*
- Host nation of the Cannes Film Festival
- Moliere's forte
- Cage/Travolta thriller: _____/Off

For solution, see page 10

YOU'LL FIND IT IN "THE GETAWAY"

How many words of four or more letters can you form using only the letters in THE GETAWAY? A letter can be used more than once only if it appears more than once. Proper nouns, obsolete and archaic words, slang and informal words, poetic words, hyphenated words, contractions, and foreign words are not permitted.

Our list of 24 words can be found on page 10

Community Calendar

- "Art Colony" in Belleville** – The Belleville Area Council for the Arts is proud to announce its sponsorship of the second annual Belleville Art Colony. The "Colony" is designed to bring artists into the City during the month of August to paint and draw in the City's parks and downtown mall. It is hoped that these artists-in-residence, featured three times a week throughout the month, will encourage other artists to come and share in the creative process and, at the same time, bring art-lovers into the City to see professional artists at work. The Council plans for artists to be working in the 4th Street Mall, Horizon Park, and Victory Park from 3 to 8 p.m. each Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday.
- PWP Hosts Outdoor Dance** – Downriver Chapter #369 of Parents Without Partners invites you to its Anchors Aweigh Outdoor Dance to be held from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Friday, August 14, at the Taylor Moose Lodge Park (9981 South Telegraph, between Wick and Goddard). Bring your own lawn chairs and drinks. Admission is \$5. Note: Preceding the dance (8:30 p.m.), an orientation for prospective members is planned. Questions about membership and activities may be directed to Membership Vice-president George Graff (313-388-8488).
- Romulus Historical Society Meeting** – The Romulus Historical Society will hold its monthly meeting at the Romulus Historical Museum (11120 Hunt Street, near the Post Office) on Wednesday, August 19, beginning at 7 p.m. The public is welcome.
- Pumpkin Festival Committee Seeks Entertainers, Crafters, Vendors** – The Romulus Pumpkin Festival Committee is already hard at work, preparing for the second annual Pumpkin Festival in September. The Committee's meetings are held in the Romulus City Hall Community Room (located in the lower level) at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday of every month (next meeting: August 20). Currently, the Committee is seeking entertainers/performers interested in volunteering their talents, as well as crafters and food vendors who would like to participate. For more information, or for a crafter or vendor application, please call Maria Lambert (942-7543) before 6 p.m., or Susan Watts (941-0476) before 8 p.m. Entertainers/performers may call Ellen Bragg (942-9207) between 3 and 8 p.m.
- Daylily Sale** – Hundreds of large, healthy daylily plants will be available at excellent prices at the sixth annual Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society-sponsored Daylily Sale, to be held in the parking lot of the Congregational Church of Birmingham (Woodward Avenue at Cranbrook Road, Bloomfield Hills) on Saturday, August 22, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Browsers will find a large variety of flower types for sale, and experienced local growers will be on hand to answer planting and culture questions.
- Audition for *Anything Goes*** – The Huron Civic Theatre has announced new audition dates for its fall 1998 production of the Cole Porter musical, *Anything Goes*, to be directed by Nick Beasanski, produced by Dorothy Holdren, and choreographed by Jane Beier. The auditions for this lavish musical tale of shipboard romance and intrigue, set in the early 1930s, will take place at Huron High School Auditorium (32044 West Huron River Drive, across from Michigan Memorial Cemetery, in New Boston) on Sunday, September 13, from 6 to 9 p.m., and Monday, September 14, from 7 to 10 p.m. Six lead roles (three for men, three for women) are available, as are parts in the large, active chorus (ages 16 to 96). No children, please. All performers should be prepared to sing and learn movement. Auditioners for lead roles should sing something from the show. Tap-dancing experience is a plus. An accompanist will be provided – no tapes, please. For more information, call the theater (734-782-5380) and leave a message, or call Sharon (734-675-4017).
- Country Craft Show** – St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church is seeking crafters interested in participating in its annual craft show, to be held during New Boston's Applefest weekend (October 3–4). Space with table (8'x5') is \$35; space alone is \$30. For more information, call Ilene Shaffer (753-4534) or the Church (753-9048).
- Michigan 4-H Foundation Annual Membership Meeting** – The Michigan 4-H Foundation will hold its annual membership meeting in the Michigamme Room at Michigan State University's Kellogg Center from 10:30 a.m. to noon on Friday, October 2. The meeting is open to all. For more information, contact the Michigan 4-H Foundation at 517-353-6692.
- Head Start Seeks Applicants** – Romulus Head Start is recruiting eligible three- and four-year-old children for its free preschool program, which will be held at Beverly School beginning in September of 1998. Head Start serves children from low-income families, foster children, and children with disabilities. For more information, or to apply, call 734-334-1012.
- Registrations Accepted at St. Aloysius School** – St. Aloysius Catholic School is now accepting registrations for the 1998–1999 school year for its all-day, five-day kindergarten program as well as for grades one through eight. The school is located near I-275 and I-94 in Romulus. For more information, call 941-3340.

To place information in our next issue's Community Calendar, mail it to "the little paper" at P.O. Box 74038, Romulus, MI 48174-0038; FAX it to us at 941-4874; or call 941-1907 or 941-3113

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Country Corner

Chicken Soup, Celebrity Golf Outing/Auction Benefit Worthy Charities

After three years of writing, compiling, and collecting stories, co-authors Ron Camacho, Jack Canfield, and Mark Victor Hansen have dished up *Chicken Soup* with a country twist.

Chicken Soup for the Country Soul, which hit the book stores July 15, contains inspirational stories served up straight from the hearts of country's top artists (old and new), their fans, and their folks. Big House, Paul Brandt, Joe Diffie, Jeff Foxworthy, Dolly Parton, Michael Peterson, Randy Travis, and Lari White all share defining moments that have touched their lives. The book also features country artists whose lives have touched fans all across America — John Berry, Billy Ray Cyrus, Kathy Mattea ...

Along with the book, fans will be excited to receive a CD single of "In The Shade Of The Family Tree," featuring Porter Wagoner and his closest friends in country music, including stand-out performances by Garth Brooks, Joe Diffie, Vince Gill, Patty Loveless, Ricky Skaggs, Marty Stuart, Trisha Yearwood, and a chorus of more than 100 Opry stars and country legends. Also on the CD are stories read by "Whisperin'" Bill Anderson, Kippi Brannon, Gary Chapman, Emilio, Ty Herndon, and Audrey Wiggins.

The book has been well received, garnering compliments from a variety of country-related media.

With *Chicken Soup for the Country Soul's* publication, the country audience has, truly, spoken: the 5,800 people who used the Internet to visit TNN's country.com, and voted on the stories which appear in it, made it the first interactive book.

No wonder the book is already such an enormous success. With presale orders of nearly half a million copies, *Chicken Soup for the Country Soul* entered both the *New York Times* and *USA Today's* best-seller lists with a BANG!

Chicken Soup for the Country Soul is supporting two important charities: 20 cents from each book will go to the Opry Trust Fund and another 20 cents will go to Trees Around the World.

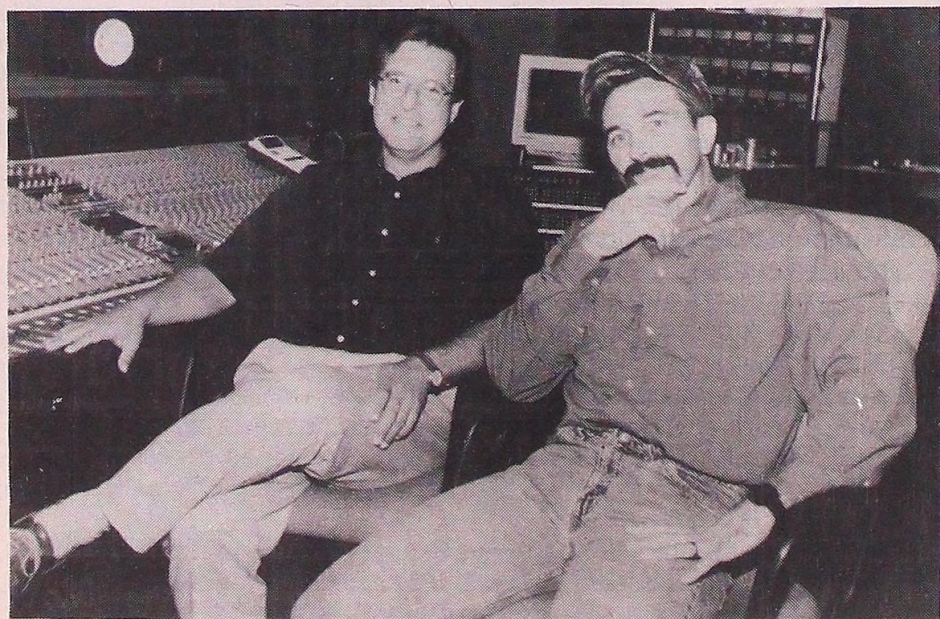
Celebrity Golf Outing Raises Money for Cystic Fibrosis

Tracy Lawrence and a host of his celebrity friends recently joined together to raise money for cystic fibrosis at the Coors Light Sizzlin' Country Celebrity Golf Classic. TNN's Gary Chapman, Charlie Chase of *Crook and Chase*, Earl Thomas Conley, Mike Halapin and Craig Hentrich of the Tennessee Oilers, Butch Baker, Thrasher and Shriver, and



Tracy Lawrence shows his appreciation for the organizers of the Coors Light Sizzlin' Country Celebrity Golf Classic. Pictured (from left) are Jack Heard, co-chair of the tournament; Sheri Mount, Cystic Fibrosis volunteer; Tracy Lawrence; Janet Heard, co-chair of the tournament; Bob Heatherly, Vice President of Marketing and Sales at Atlantic Records; and Laura Heatherly, Cystic Fibrosis Director of Special Projects. (photo: Gary Dehmer)

What This Country Needs . . .



The fans are eating up country hunk Aaron Tippin's latest song, "For You I Will," which hit radio earlier this month. "For You" is the first single from Tippin's forthcoming Lyric Street Records album, *What This Country Needs*, scheduled for release October 6. The album marks the first time that Tippin has shared production credit along with co-producer Pat McMakin. Pictured above are McMakin and Tippin "at the console" at Soundshop Studios in Nashville. (photo: Kay Williams)

Answers

answers to puzzles from page 9

LEAPFROG:

- 1) Karma; 2) Mark; 3) Arm
- 4) Kline; 5) Nike; 6) Ken
- 7) Master; 8) Smart; 9) rats
- 10) cable; 11) Beal; 12) Lea
- 13) Bangles; 14) Angels; 15) Glens
- 16) Satan; 17) Stan; 18) Nat
- 19) silent; 20) Stein; 21) Nest
- 22) Daniel; 23) Alien; 24) Elia
- 25) Wings; 26) Sign; 27) sin
- 28) Arsenic; 29) Carnes; 30) narcs
- 31) France; 32) farce; 33) Face

"Alec Baldwin / Kim Basinger"

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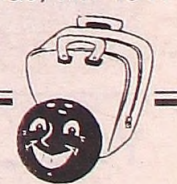


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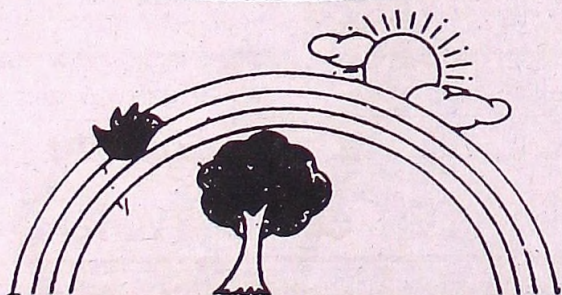
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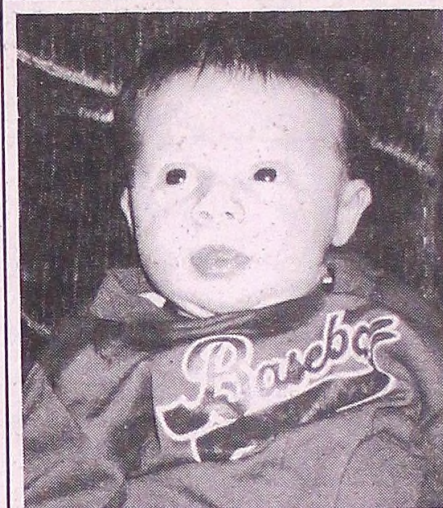
New Patients Welcome

The Stork Arrived**Jackson Arold**

Proudly announcing the birth of their new son, Jackson Mackenzie Arold, are Keith and Jennifer Arold of Romulus, Michigan.

Jackson was born in Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital (Wyandotte, MI) at 3:28 p.m. on Thursday, June 4, 1998, weighing seven pounds, five ounces, and measuring 20 inches.

Also welcoming the newest addition to the family were Jackson's paternal grandmother, Patricia Arold (Ocala, FL), and his maternal grandparents, Terry and Gloria Holtschlag (Romulus, MI). The late Ronald Arold is his paternal grandfather.



Jackson Mackenzie Arold

Bennett Meyer

Bennett and Rose Meyer of Taylor, Michigan, are proud to announce the birth of their new son, Bennett Perry Meyer.

Born in Sinai Hospital (Detroit, MI) at 5:31 a.m. on Tuesday, June 9, 1998, Bennett weighed eight pounds, five ounces, and measured 21 inches.

Also welcoming the newest addition to the family were Bennett's paternal grandmother, Margaret Meyer (Romulus, MI), and his maternal grandparents, John and Carol Waller (Alabama). The late Bennett Meyer is his paternal grandfather.



Bennett Perry Meyer

Obituaries**Gerald M. Beasley**

Gerald M. Beasley of Romulus, Michigan, died on Sunday, August 2, 1998. He was 46 years old.

A native of Detroit, Michigan, Gerald was born on June 11, 1952. The Salvation Army employee was a member of the Salvation Army Choir and the First Baptist Church of Romulus Choir.

Gerald is survived by his father, William Beasley; two brothers, Kenneth

and Jerry Beasley; and an uncle, John R. Curry. His mother, Dorothy (Curry) Phillips, predeceased him.

A funeral service was held on Thursday, August 6, at the First Baptist Church (Romulus, MI), with Reverend Charles Woodridge officiating. Interment was at Lakeside Cemetery (Port Huron, MI). Arrangements were made by Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI).

Lawrence Ray Bowling

Lawrence Ray Bowling of Romulus, Michigan, died on Monday, August 10, 1998, at the age of 65.

Born March 28, 1933, in Concordia, Kansas, Lawrence was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (Ridley, VA) and the Eagles Lodge (Concordia, KS).

He is survived by his wife, Linda (DeWeese) Bowling; one son, Larry Bowling (Idaho); two stepsons, Buddy A. Bigelow (Romulus, MI) and Robert B.

Kimble (Romulus, MI); and two sisters, Wilma Jean (Concordia, KS) and Theresa (Lady Lake, FL).

A funeral service was held on Thursday, August 13, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with Evangelist Patricia Gipson (Church of God of Prophecy) officiating. Cremation arrangements were made by Tri-County Cremation Services (Ypsilanti, MI). Memorial tributes may be made to the American Cancer Society. □

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